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SUBJECT: JACKSON-NUNN AMENDMENT

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(B) THE HAGUE 5294

1. PURSUANT REFTTEL A, DCM PROVIDED ANALYSIS OF JACKSON-NUNN AMENDMENT TO DIRECTOR GENERAL POLITICAL AFFAIRS VAN LYNDEN DEC 7, EMPHASIZING REQUIREMENT THAT PRESIDENT REGULARLY REPORT TO CONGRESS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF AMENDMENT, BEGINNING FEB 16. POINTING TO HELPFUL, COOPERATIVE POSITION GON HAS TAKEN RE BURDENSARING, DCM EXPRESSED HOPE DUTCH COULD WEIGHT IN AS APPROPRIATE WITH THOSE ALLIES LESS INCLINED TO SHOULDER THIER SHARE OF BURDEN, E.G., UK.

2. VAN LYNDEN EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR EXPLANATION OF AMENDMENT. HE WAS NOT SURE HOW MUCH INFLUENCE DUTCH COULD EXERT ON OTHERS, BUT MADE CLEAR GON IS STICKING TO ITS POSITION OF SUPPORT FOR MULTILATERAL BURDENSARING EFFORT. HE DID OBSERVE THAT AT THIS PARTICULAR JUNCTURE, THE DUTCH BOP POSITI N WAS DETERIORATING (BECAUSE OF OIL SITUATION) AND THAT OF THE US WAS IMPROVING. MFA'S NATO AFFAIRS DIRECTOR, WHO WAS ALSO PRESENT, CONFIDENTIAL

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COMMENTED THAT A FAVORABLE OVERALL US BOP POSITION COUL** FOR

PYSCHOLOGICAL REASONS MAKE MORE DIFFICULT THE ACHIEVEMENT OF A
SATISFACTORY BURDENSARING ARRANGEMENT. DCM REPLIED TH*W
(1) JACKSON-NUNN WAS THE LAW OF THE LAND AND (2) US NEEDED
PERMANENT AND FUNDAMENTAL IMPROVEMENT IN ITS BOP SITUATION,
HENCE BURDENSARING SHOULD BE LOOKED UPON AS A CONTINUING
REQUIREMENT OF THE ALLIANCE.
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